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October 27, 1998

Mark Hardman Larson Limestone P.O. Box 398 Lehi, Utah 84043

Re: Notice of Tentative Approval to Commence Large Mining Operations, Larson Limestone

Company, Pelican Point Quarry, M/049/011, Utah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Hardman:

The Division has completed a review of your response, received July 6, 1998, to the Division's latest deficiency review letter dated April 3, 1998. The original Notice was received August 2, 1996. After reviewing this latest information, the Division hereby grants tentative approval of the Pelican Point Quarry large mining permit application. We will now publish a formal notice of tentative approval in the Salt Lake, Provo and American Fork newspapers which will begin a 30-day public comment period. If no substantive comments are received during the comment period, the Division will then be prepared to issue final approval of this project. The following items will need to be addressed before the public comment period ends and before final approval can be granted.

R647-4-107 - Operation Practices

Please provide a copy of the Division of Air Quality final Approval Order(s) to be inserted as an appendix to the mining and reclamation plan volume. Please revise the appropriate text sections to reflect the approval(s) (Operations Plan section, page 15; Impact Assessment section, page 19) relative to the waste oil burning facility and current crushing plant. (AAG)

R647-4-112- Variance

The Division hereby grants a variance to rule R647-4-111.7 for the highwall configuration and benching described in the ten year mine plan. This variance allows the highwalls to remain at angles steeper than forty-five degrees without backfilling. (AAG)

R647-4-113 - Surety

The proposed final reclamation surety in the amount of \$91,000 will be acceptable to the Division in terms of year 2003 dollars. Currently, the Division holds an "interim" bond in the amount of \$50,000 in the form of a Letter of Credit (LOC) from Zion's Bank. Larson

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Limestone may either have this LOC increased to the \$91,000, or replace the LOC with another acceptable form of surety. If you choose to change the form of surety, please contact us so we can provide you with the proper form. A Reclamation Contract (blank form MR-RC enclosed) must also be completed and filed with this office. It will be attached to the updated reclamation surety for this project. Please provide us with a "draft" copy of the completed reclamation contract before it is finalized so we can review it for completeness and accuracy.

If you have any questions in this regard please contact either me, Tony Gallegos, or Lynn Kunzler, of the Minerals Staff. Thank you for your cooperation in completing this lengthy process to reach the tentative approval stage.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg Permit Supervisor

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Enclosure: Form MR-RC

c: Buck Rose, Utah County

Mary Ann Wright, DOGM

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